



CHAPTER 18

CURSE OF THE SCARLET FOX I



THEY'RE THAT
HUGE JAPANESE
CORPORATION WITH
POLITICAL
CONNECTIONS,
RIGHT?



THE
HISABISHI
GROUP...

YOU'VE HEARD
ABOUT THE
HISABISHI GROUP,
RIGHT?

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SO, I'VE BEEN
TASKED AS THE
LEADER OF THE
SEARCH.

ABOUT THAT,
IS OUR HELP
ABSOLUTELY
NECESSARY?



THE ABOVE
GONDO IMMEDIATELY
CONTACTED THE
SUPERINTENDENT
GENERAL OF THE
METROPOLITAN
POLICE, WITH WHOM
HE HAS PERSONAL
CONNECTIONS, AND
REQUESTED A SEARCH
FOR HIS MISSING
SON.

IT SEEMS THAT THE
CORPORATION'S
PRESIDENT,
HISABISHI GONDO,
LOST CONTACT
WITH HIS THREE
SONS EARLY THIS
MORNING, AFTER
THEY HAD LEFT TO
GO YACHTING.



THAT PLACE IS
DEFINITELY NOT
NORMAL.

!! !! ? ... ?



THEIR YACHT
WAS HEADING
TOWARDS THAT
OFFSHORE
ISLAND.







THE VILLAGERS
REGARDED
THE FOXES
AS GUARDIAN
SPIRITS OF
FISHING, AND
VALUED THEM
HIGHLY...

MANY FOXES
USED TO
LIVE IN THIS
VILLAGE.

TO THE POINT
WHERE THEY
WOULD CALL
THEM
AKATSU-GANE
"GAMA"



IT'S SOME-
THING
FROM 50
YEARS
AGO.



THE CURSE OF
THE SCARLET
FOX? WHAT DO
YOU MEAN,
GRANDMA...

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AS THE MEN COULD
SELL THE FOX FELTS
FOR A HIGH PRICE,
THEY WOULD CAPTURE
AND SKIN THE FOXES.



HOWEVER, ONE
DAY A GROUP
OF THREE MEN
SHOWED UP.



CROSSED OVER
THE WATER, AND
WENT TO AKATSU
ISLAND...

IN ORDER TO
ESCAPE, THE
FRIGHTENED
FOXES



AND THEY
ALL DIED.

THE SEAS BECAME
VIOLENT, AND
BEFORE THE MEN
COULD REACH THE
ISLAND, THEIR BOAT
WAS SWALLOWED BY
TOWERING WAVES.

THE THREE MEN
FOLLOWED AFTER
THE FOXES, AND
AS THEY WERE
SAILING THEIR
BOAT TO ANATSU
ISLAND, THE SKY
WAS SUDDENLY
COVERED WITH
DARKNESS.

"THE CURSE OF
THE SCARLET
FOX"... IN AN
ATTEMPT TO
LESSEN THEIR
ANGER, THE
ESTABLISHMENT
OF A SHINTO
SHRINE ARCHWAY
WAS ALL THAT
WAS DONE...

HENCEFORTH
WENT ALL THOSE
WHO WOULD
GET CLOSE TO
THE ISLAND...

ALL HAD
SCARLET FOX
FUR STICKING
TO THEM.

THE CORPSES
OF THE MEN,
WHICH HAD
WASHED UP
ONTO THE
SHORE,



EVEN AFTER THAT,
CALAMITY WOULD
FALL ON THOSE
WHO WOULD GO
NEAR THE ISLAND,
SAME AS BEFORE.

CALAMITY
WOULD
DESCEND.





BOAT: HATED POLICE



...EVEN
THOUGH I
SAID THAT
YOU
SHOULDN'T
GO.



CRUISER
DETECTED!

SFX WAVES

SFX WAVES



HEY,

HEEY!



...BUT I
WANNA
CHECK
IT OUT!

SERIAL, I'M
SCARED!



COPS,
HUN?!

WE'RE FROM POLICE
HEADQUARTERS,
OUR DESTINATION
IS THAT CRUISER
THAT'S ANCHORED
IN FRONT OF THE
ISLAND!



OF GOING
TO AKATSU
ISLAND?

YOU GUYS
AREN'T
ACTUALLY
THINKING



FOR NOW, COULD
YOU JUST STAY
HERE AND NOT
MOVE AN INCH?

I'VE BEEN
FISHING SINCE THE
MORNING, AND I'VE
BEEN CURIOUS AS
TO WHAT THAT
BOAT'S DOING
THERE, BUT



DON'T GO ANY
FARTHER THAN
THIS OR
YOU'LL BE
CURSED TOO!!

I WAS ONLY
LOOKING AT
IT THROUGH
BINOCULARS!
NOBODY FROM
AROUND HERE
WOULD DARE GO
THAT CLOSE TO
THE ISLAND!



DID YOU GO
ANYWHERE
NEAR THE
CRUISER?



ARE YOU
STUPID? AS IF
I WOULD GO UP
THAT FAR!!



SOME YOUNG
KIDS HAD BEEN
ABOARD THE
BOAT MAKING
AN UPROAR AND
SCREAMING.

THEY WERE
DRINKING
WHILE THEY
WERE FISHING!



WE'VE HEARD
ABOUT THE CURSE.
YOU SAID YOU'VE
BEEN LOOKING
AT THE CRUISER
THROUGH
BINOCULARS?

...YEAH, BUT
IT'S BEEN IN
THE SAME
SPOT FOR A
LONG TIME
NOW.



IF WE DON'T
TAKE A LOOK
AT THE BOAT,
NOTHING WILL BE
ACCOMPLISHED.

LET'S GO.



BUT IF YOU'RE SEEN
DOING SOMETHING LIKE
THAT IN FRONT OF THE
ISLAND, THEN YOU
WILL BE CURSED. NO
DOUBT ABOUT IT!!

I DON'T
KNOW WHAT
HAPPENED.









SCARLET
FOX FUR.

THIS IS...

!!



IT'S
CLEARLY
EVIDENT
THAT THIS
HAIR ISN'T
THEIRS...



THE FISHERMAN
FROM BEFORE
SAID THAT THIS
BOAT DIDN'T
EVEN GO ALL
THE WAY TO
THE ISLAND...

BUT THAT
DOESN'T
MAKE
SENSE.



SO WHY IS
THERE FOX
FUR ON THE
BOAT?...

IT'S STILL
A GOOD
DISTANCE
AWAY FROM
THE ISLAND...



THERE'S NO
MISTAKING
IT, IT'S FOX
FUR.

I USED
TO LIVE IN THE
COUNTRYSIDE,
AND THERE WAS A
NEARBY MOUNTAIN
THAT WAS HOME
TO MANY FOXES...

INSPEC-
TOR, WERE
EXACTLY
WHERE YOU
FROM
AGASHI?







SO THE CURSE
OF THE SCARLET
FOX ACTUALLY
DOES EXIST!



AS I THOUGHT,
THESE MEN
WERE HIT HARD
BY SOMETHING.



I CAN SEE
TRACES THAT.



THE DEATHS OF
THE THREE MEN
WERE A WARN-
ING FROM THE
FOXES.

NO, THEY WERE
A LIFE-RISKING
MESSAGE!!!



EVEN IF
THE CURSE
IS REAL,
ASSUMING IT TO
BE THE CAUSE
IS ANOTHER
MATTER.

I CAN ONLY
SAY THIS...



RAWS //	A
TRANSLATOR //	OOPING
PROOFREADER //	A
CLEANER //	L
TYPESETTER //	WL
REDRAWER //	
QUALITY CHECK //	WL